

SOCIAL AND OTHER LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS

Religious.

Epworth League News.

The topic for the devotional meeting on Sunday evening next is "Real Friendship," the reference for which is 1 Samuel, 1-23 verses.

Gorsuch Epworth League will give its annual Martha Washington tea on Washington's Birthday, Monday, February 22. Supper will be served from 5 to 10 p. m. at the church, corner Four-and-a-half and L Streets southwest. An entertainment will be given at 8 p. m. also at the church.

The Brightwood Park Chapter has organized a literary class and are taking up the Epworth League reading course. Much success is reported in the work. Meetings of the class are held twice a month. Much interest is being manifested in the work by the members of the class and the league, and the class is growing. Some of the members have installed electrical apparatus, which is used to illustrate the readings in electricity.

Mrs. Harold M. Rider will conduct the devotional service at Gorsuch Chapter on Sunday evening next.

The district board of control has arranged for three stereopticon lectures on Japan to be given by Rev. David S. Spencer, presiding elder of the Tokyo district, Japan, missionary work in the Empire of Japan.

The eyes of the world are now upon Japan, and as Dr. Spencer's twenty years' work there has made him entirely familiar with the people, customs, resources and missionary enterprises, the lectures must surely prove profitable and interesting. Dr. Spencer is a brilliant and forcible speaker. The proceeds are to go toward the erection of a church among 100,000 people who now have no place of Christian worship. A building is already available, and it is the purpose of the missionary workers here to raise \$2,000 with which to buy ground on which to construct the structure. The first lecture will be given in North Capitol Church by Dr. Spencer on Tuesday, February 23, the second will be given in Metropolitan Methodist Church on Wednesday, February 24, and the third, and probably last, lecture will be given at Hamilton Church on Friday, February 25.

While in the city Dr. Spencer will occupy the pulpits of a number of the Methodist churches and preach. Arrangements have been made for him to preach at Metropolitan Church at the morning services on Sunday, February 21 and 22, and on Tuesday, February 23, the second will be given in Metropolitan Methodist Church on Wednesday, February 24, and the third, and probably last, lecture will be given at Hamilton Church on Friday, February 25.

Meeting of Men's Club.

The regular monthly meeting of the Men's Club, St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, was held on Thursday evening

at the residence of Alexander T. Henry, on the corner of the city. There was a large attendance of members and guests. The lecturer of the evening was the Hon. Frederick Van Dyne, assistant solicitor of the Department of State, his subject being "Our Diplomatic Service."

The meeting was opened in the usual manner at which the president introduced the lecturer. Mr. Van Dyne "began at the beginning" by tracing international diplomacy and diplomatic relations between different countries from their earliest inception, in the beginning of the seventeenth century, when France sent a representative abroad "to lie about his own country." From this unworldly beginning sprang the universal, honorable, upright and honest diplomatic service of the present day.

The lecture was replete with anecdotes and humorous incidents. It was highly instructive and entertaining, delivered in a masterly manner and was well received.

Supper was served in the spacious dining room, which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. After supper several songs and choruses were rendered by some of the members, while others enjoyed cigars as well as the music.

Among those present were Dr. Herbert Scott Smith, rector of St. Margaret's; Mr. Lytton Ament, S. H. Ament, Hobart Brooks, E. H. Bond, Frederick C. Bryan, A. D. V. Burr, Harry C. Bushby, Alexander Britton, Norman H. Camp, Oswald E. Camp, W. Riley Deebie, Charles Davis, Prof. F. P. Dewey, S. W. Swenson, L. M. Pryor, Sterling Galt, Hunter Galt, L. M. Gough, Eugene Gough, Alexander T. Henry, Charles H. Henney, J. Miller Kenyon, C. B. Keferstein, J. E. Mulcare, A. B. LeR. Mesny, Edwin J. McKee, S. A. McCarthy, George B. Merriman, Dr. Henry A. May, F. H. Newell, Dr. B. G. Pote, Henry Suers, Wilbur F. Smith, Col. E. W. Stone, Prof. George F. Smallwood, Edwin S. Spalding, C. R. Townsend, Henry M. Walter, Albert G. Wimer, Oscar W. White, S. C. Wilson, George Ward, William Williams, and others.

Holds Its Monthly Meeting.

The St. Mark's Men's Club, of St. Mark's Church, held its monthly meeting on Thursday night.

The men enjoyed a program of orchestral music, piano solos, and recitations. William F. Grosskurth, of the Marine Band, with a boys' orchestra, composed of the following members: W. F. Grosskurth, bassoon and violin; Alfred Grosskurth, trumpet and violin; William F. Grosskurth, Lawton Herriman, William Leisner, and Joseph Connor, violins; Fred Leinberger, cornet; and William Deck, piano; R. W. Sladen, piano soloist, was well received and heartily applauded. In the course of the evening T. Y. Ellis gave a German dialect talk and also sang German dialect songs. The performers were given a rising vote of thanks.

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO ALL MUSIC LOVERS

Mrs. Johnson's Musicales.

The first of a series of private musicales, instituted by Mrs. Harriet Mills Johnson for her advanced pupils, was held at the home of Miss Bertie Reichbach on Friday evening, and was very successful, the pupils taking great interest, and finding that such occasions are of much practical value. The next of the series will be held at the home of Miss Carley Burkhardt, soprano of the Calvary Baptist and Church of the Covenant choirs.

Lawrence Recital.

George Lawrence will give his pupils' musicale and social evening with the choir on Friday evening, February 26, in the Sunday school room of the Church of Our Father, Thirteenth and L Streets northwest. A limited number of invitations may be obtained from Mr. Lawrence at his studio, 1311 Thirteenth Street northwest.

Music at St. Aloysius.

Mass at 11 o'clock. Mass, Gullmant's, in E flat; "Ave Maria," Marzio, tenor solo by John A. Finnegan; vespers at 7:30 p. m. Psalms, by Marzio, No. 3; Magnificat, Marzio, No. 3; hymn, "Ave Regina," quartet by Klein; "O Salutaris," soprano solo; "Tantum Ergo," Riga.

The last appearance in Washington of the well-known baritone, Max Heinrich, occurred six years ago.

He is booked to appear under the auspices of the Musical Art Society at the New Willard ballroom next Tuesday evening, giving a program such as only Heinrich or George Henschel can prepare. On this occasion, however, he will be assisted by his talented daughter, Miss Julia Heinrich, who will accompany him in his two new "melodramas" based on the poems of "The Raven," of Poe, and "Magdalena," of F. J. Waller. In these he recites the lines to a musical setting of his own and intersperses them with songs. His program includes songs of Schumann, Schubert, Mendelssohn, Mackenzie, Gounod, and one of his own.

The Musical Art Society deserves considerable praise for amending its rule of singing only before its subscribers by opening the sale of seats for this concert to the general public, who will, without doubt, avail itself of the opportunity.

Schumann-Heink Coming.

Mme. Schumann-Heink will give her only song recital in this city at the Columbia Theatre, Tuesday afternoon, February 23, at 4:30 o'clock. Mme. Schumann-Heink's wonderful voice enables her to alternate from tragedy to comedy, and from pathos to calm delivery with exceptional skill. Her voice has the color and flexibility that enable the singer to excel in vocal expression. There is hardly another singer who can make the dreary prison scene from "The Prophet" interesting. In songs or arias requiring passion and dramatic force she is always the compelling and remarkable artist. This will be her only appearance in Washington this season.

DR. PERKINS HEARD AT OFFUTT INQUIRY

The first witness in the investigation into the cause of the death of H. C. Offutt, at the Emergency Hospital several weeks ago, was placed on the stand yesterday afternoon by John Joy Edson and Charles F. Neill, composing the medical charities committee of the Board of Charities. The witness was Dr. W. Robert Perkins, who was held responsible, by the coroner's jury, for the fatal results in the Offutt case.

The investigation is being conducted behind closed doors, and not until it has been completed will the character of the testimony be made public.

D. C. Volunteers of '61.

The regular monthly meeting of the Summer Association of the District of Columbia Volunteers of '61, as held last Monday evening at their headquarters, St. Joseph's Hall, President J. T. Ford presided, and William H. Braund served as secretary. There was a full attendance of the commanders, including Commander Joseph Simms, New Bedford, Mass.

The committee on the monument to the volunteers of 1861, reported progress. President Ford stated that the bounty bill had been introduced in the Senate on January 23, by Senator Scott of West Virginia, and also in the House by Representative Hermann of Oregon, and had been referred to the proper committees; that the committee from the association would appear before these committees and present the claims of the District of Columbia Volunteers of '61. He also stated that he hoped to be able to report favorable action on them by the meeting in March. He requested all commanders and their wives who have not yet signed the bounty petition, to call at his home, 638 New York Avenue northwest, and do so, as it will be necessary to know about how many are now living.

The association decided to visit Boston next August during the encampment of the G. A. R. Being the first men to enlist in the civil war, all District of Columbia Volunteers of 1861 are invited to join with them on that occasion.

The association decided to celebrate the forty-third anniversary of their muster-in the United States service in April by an entertainment and dance. Commanders Hagan, Fisher, Genaro, Frieberg, and Bouvett being appointed a committee to make arrangements. The finance committee made its annual report.

Columbia Heights Art Club.

The Columbia Heights Art Club met at the home of Mrs. M. E. Davis, 1717 Second Street northwest, on Thursday afternoon, February 11. Miss Catherine Barlow presided. Mrs. L. W. Dorris gave a short talk upon art.

In the discussion that followed the Washington Water Color Club exhibit at 123 G Street and the water colors by Paul de Longpre at Verhoff's received criticism. A period of change and confusion, "The Great Interregnum," when the Empire of Germany became a thing of the past and reverted to a consideration of states, which for convenience still kept up the name and form of an empire, was the subject of an exceedingly interesting paper by Mrs. J. F. Engle.

The discussion was animated and the responses to roll call were unusually interesting. As Dante was born during this period of German history, considerable time was spent in the discussion of his life and works and his connection with German history.

"A Visit to the Home of Albrecht Dürer" and a pathetic episode in the life of Heine were read. A description of the modern Walhalla and the works of Gramscius, from which Shakespeare is said to have taken his plot for "Hamlet," were given.

Mrs. A. P. Clark, Jr., a guest of the club, recited "Sacrificed Art" and read an original story, "The Echo of a Homecoming."

Pen Women Meet.

The League of American Pen Women held its usual monthly meeting on February 8, at 1429 New York Avenue, Mrs. Mable C. Jones, of Harrisburg, Pa.; Mrs. Francis M. Bender, of Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Mrs. Armstrong Woods, editor and publisher of "Events," Chicago, Ill.; and Miss Bessie A. Underwood, of Washington, were admitted to active membership.

Mrs. Moore Murdock, one of the out of town members of the league from Fort Worth, Texas, gave a talk on the Mexican war.

Mrs. Virginia K. Fry spoke of the benefits to be derived from "Thought Interchange." Miss Anna B. Porter spoke on "Plagiarism," and read two poems to illustrate how two writers could publish in the same paper two poems so much alike and yet different.

Capitol Hill History Club.

The Capitol Hill History Club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. T. N. McLaughlin, 612 L Street northwest. There were eighteen members and two visitors, Mrs. Baxter and Mrs. DeCosta, present. The president, Mrs. A. C. Webb, presided. Roll call was responded to by quotations from Dante's writings and an excellent paper was read by Mrs. A. B. Bare on "Dante, the Creator of Italian Literature." The club adjourned on February 24, with Mrs. Julius Wilson.

RECREATION.

Stanhope Pleasure Club.

The Stanhope Pleasure Club at its meeting Tuesday evening elected the following officers for the ensuing quarter: Burton A. Johnson, president (re-elected); Eugene H. Clark, vice president; Edna M. Y. Clark, treasurer (re-elected); James S. McKee, secretary; Thos. H. Greenwood, sergeant-at-arms.

Each of the officers made a felicitous address of acceptance, after which the clubroom was thrown open to visitors. The headquarters of the club had been transformed into a veritable bower of roses and carnations. Piano selections were contributed by Louis Eberle and Claude Anderson. Refreshments were served, and at a late hour the meeting adjourned.

WATSON'S BOOKS GOING BACK TO PUBLISHERS

A set of books, seized by the District as the property of James M. A. Watson, are to be returned to the publishers, because it has been shown that Watson had paid out \$10 on account of the purchase price of \$125.

Patriotic.

port of the condition of the treasury. There was a good amount of cash on hand and no debts owing.

The Minute Men.

The First Regiment Minute Men, Col. M. A. Winter commanding, assembled in their armory, 339-41 Pennsylvania Avenue northwest, last Monday night, and after a regimental drill, in command of Lieut. Col. E. R. Campbell, Colonel Winter announced that the new armory would be ready for occupancy tomorrow night. The regiment will assemble at 7:30 o'clock, and bidding farewell to the old quarters will march to the new.

Colonel Winter has leased, for a long term of years, as a Minute Man Armory, the building formerly used by the District of Columbia National Guard, near the corner of Fifth and L Streets northwest. It is not only one of the most spacious and finest in the city, but particularly adapted to regimental headquarters.

A regimental promenade concert and hop is being arranged for an early date, complimentary to the citizens of the District, to which President Roosevelt and the Cabinet, the Diplomatic Corps, District Commissioners, members of Congress, and other prominent citizens will be invited.

The commanding officer has granted permission to Company B, Capt. B. B. Smith commanding, to accept an invitation to attend the fourth anniversary in full dress uniform of the Merry Makers Club to be given at the National Rifles Armory on the evening of March 9. First Lieut. L. P. Stewart, of this company, being an officer of the Merry Makers Club.

A most enjoyable entertainment was given at Odd Fellows' Hall last Wednesday evening under the auspices of Company E, Capt. William C. Robbins commanding. The attraction was Poik Miller and his great quartet of negro singers, and the program, which was

Literary.

Woman's Press Association.

The Woman's National Press Association will hold its regular monthly meeting on Friday evening, February 13, in the parlors of the W. C. T. U.

After the business meeting Prof. E. C. Messer, the well-known artist and principal of the Corcoran Art School of painting, will give an address on "Art, the Old and the New," to which friends are invited.

The association will give a "Woman's Evening at the March Meeting," when Mrs. Barroll, wife of Commander Barroll, U. S. N., is expected to make the principal address.

Boys' Club Debates.

The Working Boys' Literary and Debating Club held an unusually interesting debate on Tuesday night. Because of the illness of the president, Mrs. Tyson, Stephen Latchford took the chair and presided over the meeting. "Pleasing recitations were given by the boys and a visitor, Eulalie Bradstreet, effectively recited Eugene Field's "Seeing Things at Night." The debate was, "Resolved, That Christopher Columbus was a greater man than George Washington." An amusing discussion between the forces of Captains Latchford and Bollicol, of the opposing forces, resulted in a decision favoring the affirmative.

Carroll Institute Notes.

The Carroll Institute choir will in future be known as the Cecilia Society of Carroll Institute, and will be directed by Reginald DeKoven.

The literary society will hold its regular bi-weekly meeting Monday evening, February 15, at 8 o'clock. The program will include: Washington and Jumanville, or the English and French in the Ohio Valley, by Major Edmond Mallet; "The Patent System of the United States," by F. J. Seabolt, and "Has the Education of the Negro Been a Benefit to Himself or to the Nation?" by G. I. Gardiner. The management of the institute expresses itself as highly gratified at the success of the society, and with the bright prospects for its future.

At its meeting held Wednesday evening, February 10, the Euche Club took a recess until after Lent. The usual large number of handsome prizes were awarded, including the following: Women's first prize, Mrs. H. P. Springer; second, Miss Lizzie Burns; third, Mrs. James A. Cahill; fourth, Miss M. Hanlan; fifth, Miss Alice R. Mangan; and sixth, Miss Wathen. Men's first prize, H. Wenzel; second, Col. Matthew Brady; third, James Murray; fourth, P. Shugrue; fifth, T. J. McMorro, and sixth, M. F. Mangan.

The lecture committee, of which Dr. William B. Daly is chairman, has completed arrangements for the usual complimentary course of Lenten lectures, which will commence Thursday evening, February 25, and continue bi-weekly throughout Lent with "The Natural Beauties of Ireland," by Father Riordan.

SCIENTIFIC

Will Observe Anniversary.

At a meeting of the Society for Philosophical Inquiry, held at the Columbian University, February 9, there was a discussion of the attitude of modern science toward nominalism and realism. Dr. E. E. Richardson was the leading speaker, and there were remarks on this subject by Messrs. Steele, Kirk, and Sewall.

As February 12, 1904, is the centennial of the death of Emanuel Kant, the society will observe this anniversary by holding a symposium on Kant at the meeting on Tuesday, February 16, at 4:45 p. m.

BURGLARS BLEW UP SAFE TO GET THIRTY DOLLARS

TORONTO, Feb. 13.—Burglars blew open the safe in the private bank of Col. James Munroe, member of the Provincial parliament, at Embro, last night, and got away with a small sum of money.

The safe was completely wrecked by dynamite, and the office furniture was demolished. The burglars obtained only \$30, the rest having been removed at the close of the day.

Fraternal.

Charles Palmer Fills High Office.

Charles Palmer, recently elected to fill the office of chancellor commander of Franklin Lodge, No. 2, Knights of Pythias, is one of the younger members of the order who fully deserves the honor conferred upon him. His connection with the order began December 19, 1901, when he received the rank of page in Harmony Lodge, No. 21. In March of the following year he was elected as inner guard of the same lodge to fill a vacancy.

Franklin Lodge, No. 2, being in need of help on January 23, 1903, Palmer and several companions transferred their membership, and two weeks later he was installed as vice chancellor of that lodge. He also filled the position of press correspondent for that year. He has always been an enthusiastic, energetic, and efficient worker and officer, being endowed with many of the qualities that go to make an ideal knight.

In the councils of the lodge he has become noted for his capacity and diplomacy, as well as for his strict adherence to the high plane of action which Pythianism exacts of all its members.

He brings to the executive chair the same dignity of manner and firmness of decision which has marked his bearing in other official capacities, and without doubt his administration will be wise and efficient.

A gold signet ring has been offered as a prize to the member of the lodge who brings in the most members during the year. Mr. Palmer has been in the employ of W. B. Moses & Sons nearly six years, and is highly esteemed by his employers.

Installation of Officers.

In the presence of a large representation from Capital, Columbia, Potomac, and National conclaves, District Deputy Supreme Archon Wilbur S. Perry, assisted by T. H. Hicks, supreme provost, of Richmond, Va.; Alternate District Deputy Supreme Archon W. M. Frank, J. D. Biddis, A. C. Boyden, G. M. Thomas, Peter J. Meeker, N. E. Webster, Jr., John R. Mickle, and W. H. Hodges, acting as supreme officers, installed the following officers of Howard Ferry Conclave, No. 55, for the ensuing year: Past archon, A. T. Lewis; archon, Dr. A. R. Bennett; provost, H. T. Graves; prelate, Christian Herold; inspector, George F. Ward; secretary, E. D. Anderson; financier, Joseph N. Bender; treasurer, J. F. Dwyer; warder, J. Chester Wilfong; sentinel, T. H. Willett; trustees, N. E. Webster, Jr., Dr. T. A. Groover, and Joseph S. Chamberlain. Addresses were made by Wilbur S.

Perry, district deputy supreme archon; T. H. Hicks, supreme provost, and J. D. Biddis. Several musical selections were given by J. C. Wilfong and D. S. Randolph, pianist. The ceremonies being of a public nature, a large number of members and their friends were present.

EDUCATIONAL.

Class Officers Elected.

At a recent meeting of the Junior University Law School, the biennial election of officers resulted in the following members being chosen:

O. A. Phelps, president; C. R. Gilbey, vice president; B. H. Smith, recording secretary; Fred U. Moore, corresponding secretary; R. E. Burgess, treasurer, (re-elected), and W. S. Heath, sergeant-at-arms.

Honors Conferred on Students.

At joint meetings of all of the departments of the day and night classes of Spencerian College yesterday, the following were unanimously elected to represent as speakers the class of 1904 at the commencement exercises in May: Edith Olivia Emerson, District of Columbia, valedictorian, representing ladies' day and night classes, business department; Clement Beaumont, Hilliard, District of Columbia, men's day and night classes, business department; Regina Toulson Bartlett, District of Columbia, salutatorian, ladies' day and night classes, department of shorthand and typewriting; Robert Emmet Dodge, District of Columbia, salutatorian of the day and night classes; Mary Katharine Kerby, Maryland, reader of poem to be delineated by the class of 1904 in Delaware movements.

All of these were from the roll of honor 1904-4. This is the fortieth year of the college and the thirty-eighth annual commencement.

CHARITABLE.

The following have volunteered to contribute readings and music for the blind at the Library of Congress for the week beginning February 15: Monday, Miss Stickney; Tuesday, Prof. J. W. Chickering; Wednesday, music, Miss Allen Bell; Thursday, Miss Crebs; Friday, Gen. Edward F. Jones; Saturday, Miss Semaj De France Boice.

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